







THIRD ANNUAL REPORT  
—OF—  
*THE SCHOOL BOARD.*  
—OF THE—  
Town of Gorham, N. H.

The School Board, for the town of Gorham, submit the following report for the year ending March 16th, 1889 :—

RECEIPTS :

From Selectmen as per their report,	\$3,354 41
From tuition, outside of town,	38 00
From new school building (money expended),	3 61
	\$3,396 02

EXPENDITURES :

Bills of 1887, as per last report,	\$205 96
Interest on temporary loan to pay same,	4 16
	\$210 12

For Teachers :—

SPRING TERM :

Alfred W. Rogers, Principal,	\$266 66
Miss Lucy E. Hibbard, Grammar,	90 00
Mary A. Currier, Prin., No. 2,	90 00
Mary R. Eames, 1st Inter.,	80 00
Emma I. Fassett, 2d Inter.,	80 00

Lizzie C. Thomas, Primary,	80 00
Maggie Duke, Gorham Hill,	70 00
Hattie E. Garland, Primary, No. 2,	70 00
Effie M. Wood, No. 4,	60 00

\$886 66

## FALL TERM :

Alfred W. Rogers, Principal,	\$266 66
Miss Lucy E. Hibbard, Grammar,	90 00
Lizzie S. Whittum, Prin., No. 2,	81 00
Mary R. Eames, 1st Inter.,	80 00
Emma I. Fassett, 2d Inter.,	80 00
Lizzie C. Thomas, Primary,	80 00
Minnie L. Harding, Gorham Hill,	77 00
Lydia F. Willis, Primary, No. 2,	63 00
Effie M. Wood, No. 4,	70 00

\$887 66

## WINTER TERM :

Alfred W. Rogers, Principal,	\$266 67
Miss Lucy E. Hibbard, Grammar.	90 00
Lizzie S. Whittum, Prin., No. 2,	90 00
Mary R. Eames, 1st Inter.,	40 00
Mrs. Lizzie H. Shorey, 1st Inter.,	5 60
Mrs. A. P. Libby 1st Inter.,	32 00
Miss Emma I. Fassett, 2d Inter.,	80 00
Lizzie C. Thomas, Primary,	80 00
Minnie L. Harding, Gorham Hill,	70 00
Lydia F. Willis, Primary, No. 2,	70 00
Effie M. Wood, No. 4,	70 00

\$894 27

Teachers' Salary for the year.

\$2,668 59

## JANITORS.

Isaiah Rowe, No. 3,	\$67 00
W. H. Kilborn, No. 3,	10 00



Ernest Gonier, No. 2,	14 50
Arthur E. Haley, No. 1,	8 25
Victor Heath, No. 4,	9 00

\$108 75

## WOOD AND SAWING :

E. Libby & Sons,	\$72 75
W. S. Potter,	9 56
C. S. Peabody & Co.,	3 00
P. W. Richardson,	8 25
William Forbes,	3 50
A. B. Hunt,	3 00
W. H. Kilborn,	1 75

\$101 81

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES :

W. A. Boothby & Co., Printing,	\$13 75
A. R. Evans, Insurance,	44 00
V. V. Twitchell, Adv. and Printing,	25 75
Umbagog Engine Co., Hall Rent,	10 00
S. M. Leavitt, Books & Supplies,	18 41
A. M. Hubbard, Blackboard,	3 00
Ira C. Evans, Diplomas,	7 00
C. W. Briggs, Lettering Diplomas,	4 00
Mrs. J. Wilson, Cleaning,	10 00
Mrs. Chas. Dixon, Cleaning,	1 50
G. E. Tubbs, Repairs, etc.,	6 45
A. S. Twitchell, Procuring Teachers,	5 60
Chas. Chandler, Team,	2 00
Thos. Gifford, 2d, Team,	1 00
Cyrus Morse, Glass and Setting,	50
A. W. Rogers, for Diploma Ribbon,	60
J. W. Perkins, Painting Blackboards,	3 95
Lyman Labonta, Sanitary,	8 00
P. W. Richardson, Sanitary,	4 25

\$159 76

## NEW APPARATUS :

Chemicals and Apparatus,	\$35 82
Map,	5 00
Globe and Chart,	14 20
Latin Books,	3 00

\$58 02

## SALARIES OF SCHOOL BOARD :

Albert S. Twitchell,	\$25 00
George E. Tubbs,	25 00
Thomas Gifford, 2d,	25 00

\$75 00

## RECAPITULATION :

Receipts as above,	\$3,396 02
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## EXPENDITURES :

For (Paid) bill 1887, as per last Report,	\$ 205 96
For paid Interest on temporary loan to pay same,	4 16
For Teachers,	2,668 59
For Janitors,	108 75
For Wood and Sawing,	101 81
For Miscellaneous Expenses,	169 76
For New Apparatus,	58 02
For School Board,	75 00

\$3,392 05

Balance Unexpended,	\$3 97
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## COST OF NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

(IN PEABODY DISTRICT.)

Alex Labree, Labor,	\$280 00
C. S. Peabody & Co., Lumber,	253 43
School Furniture,	200 00
G. E. Tubbs, Hardware, etc.,	150 50
C. L. Hathaway, Doors, Windows,	76 96



A. W. Fuller, Tinning Roof,	71 25
S. C. Foster, Labor,	43 69
E. Libby & Sons, Lumber,	42 36
C. G. Hamlin, Paints,	22 00
P. M. Austin, Bricks and Freight,	18 40
Fred Bell, Sand and Trucking,	17 45
LeGro Bros., Brackets and Mouldings,	10 05
G. A. Hodgdon, Labor,	6 50
Freight,	3 41
J. W. Perkins, Painting Roof,	2 12
Cleaning Windows,	1 50
Interest on temporary loan,	1 00
Money Order and Postage,	27

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\$1,151 89

## CREDIT:

Recd. from sale of Brick and Morter,	4 50
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Total cost of Building and Furniture,	\$1,147 39
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## OUTSTANDING DEBT:

G. E. Buck Note and Interest as per last report,	\$538 12
Int. to Sept. 7th, 1889, one year,	26 91
Mrs. Emerline Evans, Note,	300 00
Int. to July 20th, 1889, one year.	15 00
Mrs. Emerline Evans, Note,	200 00
Int. to Sept. 6th, 1889, one year,	10 00
G. E. Buck, Note,	650 00
Int. to Sept. 17th, 1889, one year,	32 50

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\$1,772 53

## RESOURCES:

Cash on hand,	3 97
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Debt unprovided for,	\$1,768 56
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# TABULAR STATEMENT FOR THE THREE TERMS.

Name or Number of School	Term	Name of Teacher	Length of Term, Weeks	Wages per Week	Number of Scholars	Average Attendance	Reading	Spelling	Pennmanship	Arithmetic	Grammar	Geography	History	Algebra	Physical Geography	Composition	Latin	Geology	Science of Government	English Literature	Geometry	Physiology	Astronomy	Rhetoric	Engineering	Chemistry	Book-keeping
High Grammar	1	Mr. A. W. Rogers	10	\$8.00*	29	25	41	29	41	41	13	13	15	9	11	29	5	8	8	8	11			8			
1st Intermediate	1	Miss Lucy E. Hibbard	10	9.00	41	33	41	41	39	39	40	26				41											
2d "	1	Miss Mary R. Eames	10	8.00	39	34	39	39	39	39	18	39															
Primary	1	Miss Emma I. Fassett	10	8.00	39	36	39	39	39	39	39	39															
No 2 Grammar	1	Miss Lizzie C. Thomas	10	8.00	31	78	23	23	22	23	11	14	2	3		1	2						1				
2d Primary	1	Miss Mary A. Currier	10	9.00	23	17	23	16	23	10	10	10															
No 1	1	Miss Mattie E. Garland	10	7.00	26	19	23	12	10	12	4	8	2			4											
No 4	1	Miss Maggie Duke	10	7.00	14	11	14	12	10	12	4	8	2														
High Grammar	2	Miss Effie M. Wood	10	6.00	11	9	11	9	9	9	9	5		11	8	29	9		3	8	8	8		13		15	
1st Intermediate	2	Mr. A. W. Rogers	10	9.00	29	23	41	41	41	41	41	31	10			41											
2d "	2	Miss Lucy E. Hibbard	10	8.00	41	29	41	41	41	41	41	31	10			41											
Primary	2	Miss Mary R. Eames	10	8.00	43	37	43	43	43	43	43	43															
No 2 Grammar	2	Miss Emma I. Fassett	10	8.00	43	40	43	43	43	43	43	43															
2d Primary	2	Miss Lizzie C. Thomas	9	9.00	25	22	25	25	23	23	25	25	5			25	5										
No 1	2	Miss Lydia F. Willis	9	7.00	23	16	23	23	23	15	4	11	3														
No 4	2	Miss Minnie L. Harding	11	7.00	17	14	17	17	14	15	8	1	8														
High Grammar	3	Miss Effie M. Wood	10	8.00	9	6	9	9	8	8	1	8		12	8	27	9		6	8	8	9		13	8	15	
1st Intermediate	3	Mr. A. W. Rogers	10	9.00	27	26	27	26	27	27	41	41	8			41											
2d "	3	Miss Lucy E. Hibbard	10	8.00	41	35	41	41	41	41	40	32															
Primary	3	Miss Mary R. Eames	10	8.00	44	37	44	44	44	44	25	44															
No 2 Grammar	3	Miss Emma I. Fassett	10	8.00	44	38	44	44	44	44	43	43															
2d Primary	3	Miss Lizzie C. Thomas	10	8.00	73	54	73	73	73	73	54	54															
No 1	3	Miss Lizzie S. Whitman	10	9.00	23	16	23	23	23	18	23	23	2			23											
No 4	3	Miss Lydia F. Willis	10	7.00	19	12	19	19	19	15	15	15	1			5											
	3	Miss Minnie L. Harding	10	7.00	13	11	13	13	13	11	8	8															
	3	Miss Effie M. Wood	10	7.00	9	7	9	8	8	8	1	7															2

\* Per year. Vocal Music taught, more or less, as an exercise in all the Schools.



## REMARKS.

In presenting this, our Third Annual Report, we take pride in the fact, which is now acknowledged by all, that we have one of the best schools to be found in New England, proving that the new system, when backed by the citizens, as it has been in our town, is all that its most ardent supporters claimed for it, and if rightly managed is sure to place our schools throughout the State in the most flourishing condition.

In the work which we have been so earnestly and heartily engaged, while it has not all been sunshine, for there is hardly a day, however beautiful, that does not have some cloud to dim its splendor, we have at all times had the earnest support of a very large majority of all our people, who have given to us not only their encouraging words but what ever sums of money we have called for, both in support of schools and the building and repairing of our school houses, until at the end of three short years we find the houses not only more commodious than ever before, but all the schools in first-class condition with a corps of excellent teachers and the pupils, as a whole, well behaved and striving to do the work that is required of them, to advance from grade to grade until they shall have accomplished the full course of study, and leaving the High School, become fitted for any of the ordinary business of life. Since the building of the new school house in the Peabody district, which was such an absolute necessity, the two schools there have been wonderfully bettered in their condition. The house, at the cost, as reported heretofore, while it exceeded, in a small sum, the amount appropriated for our use, is the least that could have been constructed for the wants of

that district and the utmost prudence was used to make the cost as little as possible. We found that more land was absolutely necessary for the increased prosperity of the district, and, through the generous offer of Miss Ann Lary, a strip of land was secured on the east and north side of the lot, the only consideration being that a new fence shall be built around the lot, and kept in repair free of expense to Miss Lary, for the lease of this extra land so long as it is used for school house purposes; this must be done as soon as it can be with the opening spring. There will also be a need of putting another coat of paint upon that house, and the village school-house also needs painting, which are the only present necessary repairs, except that in the 1st Intermediate school room, Miss Eames' department, the seats are sadly out of repair and can hardly stand another year's use without serious difficulty and great injury to that department. We recommend that new seats be at once furnished in that room, for use at the next term.

The High School is the pride of our village, and will rank among the best institutions in all our State. It needs an assistant to make the work more thorough, and give more time to the various classes taught therein; this need will increase as the school increases in numbers, coming from the lower grades and from tuition pupils outside the town, and must sooner or later be considered. We refer to the report of Mr. Rogers, hereto annexed, as showing more of the work of the High School. There have been very few cases of suspension during the year, and those only after repeated trials and because they were necessary for the welfare of the whole school. We trust the coming year will find no occasion for another, and that both parent and scholar, feeling the need of the best schools, and that their sympathy and aid is ever essential



to good government and punctual attendance, will unite with the Board, and with the teachers, in the fullest manner possible in all the work, and make, and keep, our Gorham schools the pride of our mountain retreat.

A. S. TWITCHELL, } School Board  
G. E. TUBBS, } of  
THOS. GIFFORD, 2d, } GORHAM, N. H.

GORHAM, N. H., March 16, 1889.

## REPORT OF INSTRUCTION IN THE HIGH SCHOOL.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD:—

In accordance with your wish, I make the following report of instruction in the High School for the three terms included in the fiscal year just closed. It is hoped that it will serve the purpose of informing the friends of the school more fully than visits to the school would do, of the nature of the work in the highest department of the public schools.

At the opening of the year, in the spring term of 1888, the school contained 3 classes and 27 scholars, with an average daily attendance of 25. All the pupils of the school have been required, throughout the year, to take part in the following general exercises: Study of Spelling and Definitions from Webster's Academic Dictionary, one exercise each week. Writing of Compositions on assigned subjects, once in two weeks, Declamations, twice a term for each pupil, and occasional exercises in Mental Arithmetic.

Of the 27 scholars, eight were in the graduating class. For these, since the course of study for the High School adopted in September 1887, could not be strictly followed, care was taken to select those studies which would be likely to supply good training, and the most desirable

general information. With this end in view, having completed a course of 30 weeks in Geometry, they were taught the elements of Geology from Dana's Geological Story Briefly Told. The study was illustrated somewhat by specimens of minerals and rocks loaned by Mr. A. S. Twitchell. A course of 25 weeks in Natural Philosophy was followed by a course of 15 weeks in Astronomy. A course of 20 weeks in English Literature was continued from the preceding term, instruction being given by means of lectures and from Kellogg's English Literature as a text book. The members of this class showed commendable zeal in study; and their proficiency was above that of the average high school pupils, as attested by the average rank for written examinations, 82 per cent, and that for daily recitations, 94 per cent.

The exercises of graduation were held June 22d at the Opera House.

The class next lower in grade—Third Class—numbered 11. This class was instructed in Physical Geography, and a 30 weeks' course in Geometry was commenced, with Brooks Geometry and Trigonometry as a text book. Six members of the class began the study of Science of Government, while the remaining 5 continued their course in Latin, translating Caesar's Commentaries on the Gallic War.

The Fourth Class numbered 8. The studies of this class had been made to conform to the adopted curriculum of studies. Accordingly the 3-term courses in Algebra, Rhetoric and General History were brought to completion this term.

The school reassembling on the 23d of August, numbered 27. Thirteen had entered the school by promotion; one had entered as a tuition-student from another town and two from districts of the town outside of the



village, eight had left school by graduation, and five had left without graduating. There were but three classes in school as in the previous term, there being no graduating class. For the two following terms the Second and Third classes have been taught the elements of Chemistry. A course of 20 weeks has been devoted to this study with Cooley's New Chemistry as a text-book and occasional illustrations and experiments by means of apparatus and chemicals furnished by the School Board. The Latin division of the Second Class completed the translation of four books of Caesar's Commentaries and Cicero's first Oration against Catiline. The other division of the class completed the study of Science of Government, including the general principles of municipal and international law, together with a review of U. S. History beginning with the Revolution. The course in Geometry was made to include five weeks' study of logarithms and Plane Trigonometry with practical application in Surveying. The Third Class has been given the prescribed 20 weeks course in Chemistry mentioned above, and two terms in Physiology, which has not been completed for want of time.

The Fourth Class received by promotion from the Grammar School, has been instructed in Algebra 20 weeks—to be completed; in Grammar and Rhetoric 20 weeks—to be completed. Four of the class study preparatory Latin, while the remainder of the class have been instructed in Ancient History, from Swinton's Outlines of the World's History.

This report constitutes the catalogue of school labors up to date. A great need, felt in all the departments of our schools, is more time; for by reason of the shortness of the terms, much of the work is crowded and less thorough than it should be. It is earnestly hoped and

ergently recommended that provision be made that we may have a longer school-year.

Respectfully,

A. W. ROGERS, Principal.

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We have carefully examined the report of the School Board, and the vouchers for all the bills rendered as reported, and find the same to be correct.

C. G. HAMLIN, }  
J. T. PEABODY. } Auditors.

GORHAM, N. H., March 1, 1889.

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ERRATA—On page 20 the item, G. E. Tubbs, Hardware, &c., \$150, 50." should read \$100 50, and on page 21 the addition of the column of "Expenditures for New Building," should be \$1,150 89, and the total cost of building and furniture \$1,146 39.





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